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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The Examiner's attention is directed to the Information Disclosure Statement that accompanies this amendment.

This Amendment A responds to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2004. An automatic three month extension to respond, up to and including March 17, 2005, is respectfully requested.